

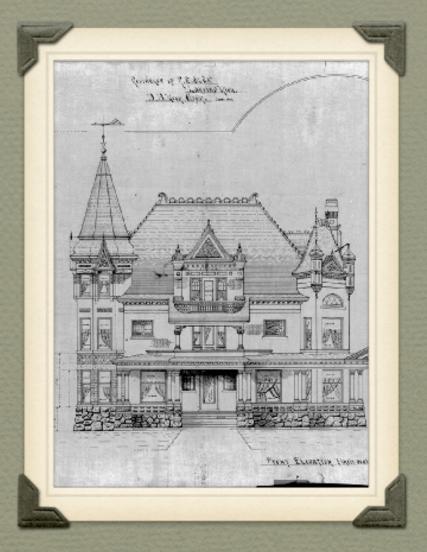
GENEALOGY OF A HOUSE

## BLUEPRINT FOR RESEARCH

GENEALOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

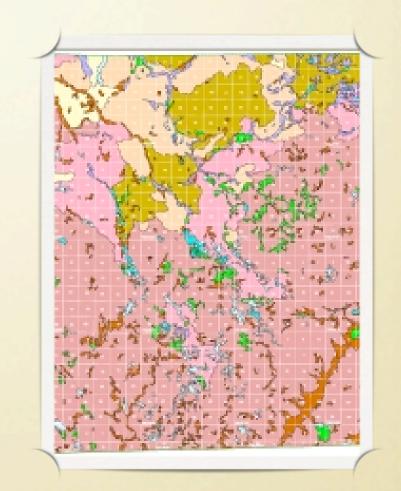
BUILDING FROM THE GROUND UP

THREE MAIN SOURCE
TYPES



## LAY OF THE LAND

- <u>Vegetation</u>
- Land ownership
  - Land patents
  - Register of Deeds
- Property inventory cards
- Subdivision Control Plats



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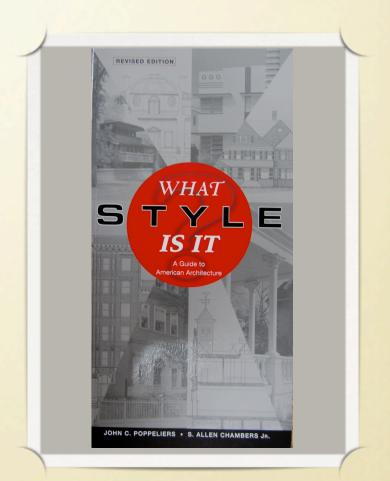
PROPERTY INVENTORY CARD

### BUILDING COMMUNITY

- County History
- Michigan Gazetteer
- Newspapers
- Paper trail and People Trail

#### BE A HOUSE DETECTIVE

- Beauty or Bungaloid?
- Talk to neighbors
- Look where the sun doesn't shine (Attic, garage, basement)
- Be observant during remodeling
- Don't be shy--telephone sometimes works better than the web

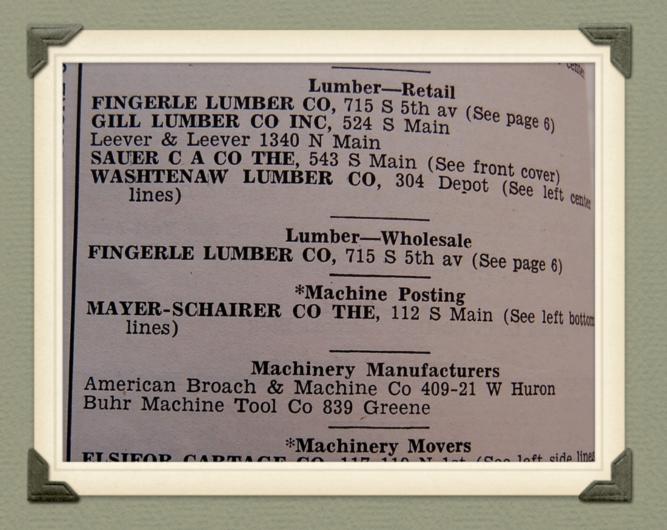


## TEXTUAL CLUES

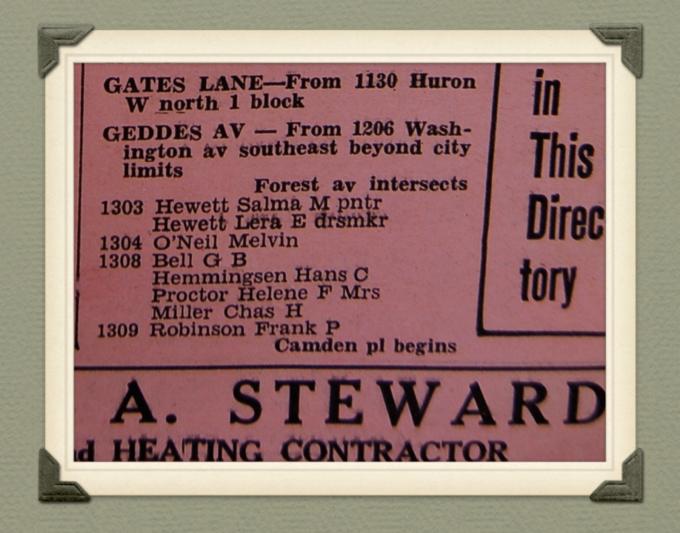
- Build date A good place to start
- Assessor
- Register of Deeds
- City Directories



#### BUSINESS ADVERTISEMENT



# BUSINESS LISTINGS



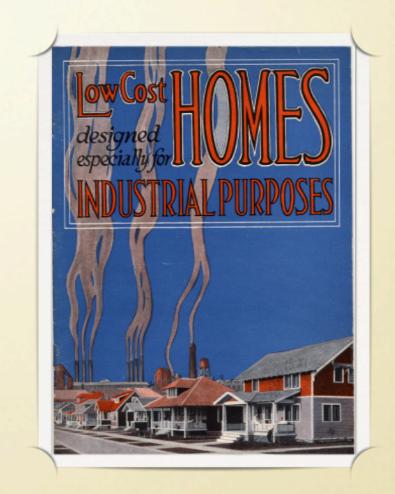
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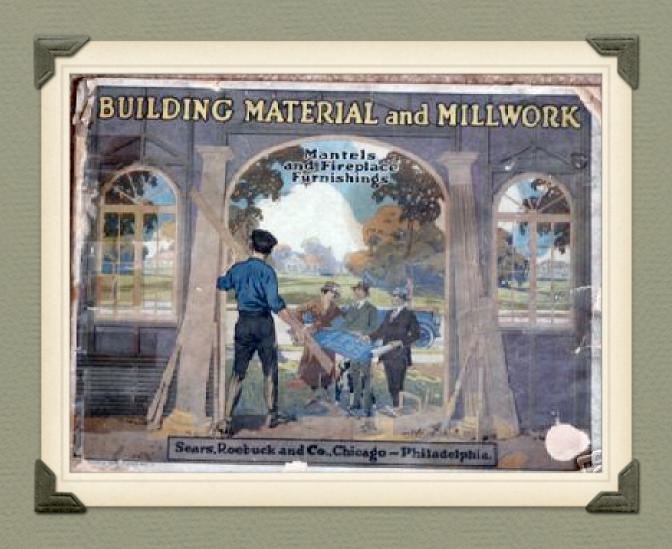


# INDIVIDUAL LISTING

# MORE TEXTUAL CLUES

- Building/Code Compliance Dept.
- Tax records
- City Council Minutes
- Kit Home catalog

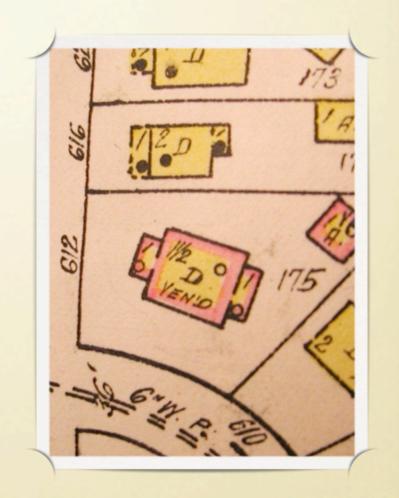




MILLWORK CATALOGS & SPECIALTY MAGAZINES

# VISUAL CLUES

- Insurance Records
- Photographs as research document
- Birds eye views
- Built in America
- Making of Ann Arbor



ADVANCE REALTY CO CRS PROPERTY REPORT  REALTORS PROPERTY REPORT  Date 1925 1966  AVE. ST.  Assessed Value \$  Owned By: Carl Jaeger Estate Phone #  Who Lives at: Occupation:  Report: 10 Obright  Tenant - Dean Banks 487 - 0650  10/25 Jenart owns home we another  etty which hasn't sold
Request made by Report made by Revalue  ACTIVE - ALIVE - ALERT - AGRESSIVE - ADVANCE SM-11-64-APC

# LOCAL HISTORY: REAL ESTATE RECORDS

612 Dinamore Drive

\$16,000

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#4967

2 Story Brick English Cottage 3 Rms. 4 lst Fl. 4 2nd Fl. 4 Bdrms. Time Price \$16,000

Down Pay. 4,000 Monthly Pay. 120

No Incumbrance

Owner- Carl Jaeger 612 Dinamore Dr.

Lot a se W 53 x 126.4 N x 96.6 E x 90 S: Occupant-owner: Reason for selling-have other property: Library down: Fireplace: 4 pc. bath 1st F1, 4 pc. bath 2nd F1: Paint decorations: Floore-oak: Finish-Birch: Weatherstripped: Insulation: John Mansville State roof, good: Souttle attic: Autom. Heater: Laundry Tubs: Heated by hot water-oil fired: 2 car garage: Private drive: Quarter sawed oak floors: Bronse screens, storm sash: Living room 12 x 241: Make appointments through Hacker Co: OWNER PHONED 4-23-45 & ASKED THAT THE HOUST BE NOT SHOWN FOR 2 WEEKS DUE TO ABSENCE FROM THE CITY & OTHER PE SCHAL MATTERS.

Listed by Edward G. Hacker Co. 612 Dinamora Drive \$16

\$16,000 HAUXERING-8

4/21/45

# REAL ESTATE



REAL ESTATE RECORDS

# THE PRESENT SOON BECOMES THE PAST

- Document what you are doing now!
- Start a house history file
- Merge it with your own genealogy

# THANK YOU

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ARCHIVES OF MICHIGAN